

DON'T MISS THIS GREAT MONEY SAVING OPPORTUNITY

Larson's Mammoth Mid-Winter Sale is now on in full swing. The Word **BARGAIN** has never before obtained the significance which it has at this sale---only standard goods which were part of our regular stock are offered. No importation of cheap trash to palm off as regular goods is ever tolerated in this store. Read the marvelous reductions below and convince yourself.

The Following Bargains Can't Help But Interest You

Suits	
\$25.00 Suits	\$17.50
22.50 Suits	15.80
20.00 Suits	14.00
17.50 Suits	12.25
15.00 Suits	11.00
12.50 Suits	8.75
10.00 Suits	6.00

Dress Shoes	
\$5.00 Dress Shoes	\$3.50
4.50 Dress Shoes	3.25
4.00 Dress Shoes	3.00
3.50 Dress Shoes	2.75
3.00 Dress Shoes	2.25
2.75 Dress Shoes	2.00

Young Men's Suits	
\$20.00 Young mens suits	\$14.00
17.50 Young mens suits	12.25
15.00 Young mens suits	10.50
12.50 Young mens suits	8.75

Overcoats	
\$22.50 Overcoats	\$15.80
20.00 Overcoats	14.00
17.50 Overcoats	12.25
15.00 Overcoats	10.50
12.50 Overcoats	8.75
TOP COATS	
\$15.00 Topcoats	\$10.00

Loggers' Shoes	
Best \$8.00 Logger Shoe made	\$6.75
Best 7.00 Logger Shoe made	5.40
Best 6.00 Logger Shoe made	4.50
Men who are in need of anything in this line will do well to buy now.	

Men's best all-wool Pants	
\$4.00 Trousers	\$2.75
3.50 Trousers	2.50
3.00 Trousers	2.00
2.50 Trousers	1.75

High Top Working Shoes	
\$7.50 High top shoes	\$5.50
7.00 High top shoes	5.00
6.00 High top shoes	4.50
These values in working shoes are positively the best obtainable and will not last long at these prices.	

All-wool Sweaters	
In sweaters we are pretty well cleaned out but we have a few in the following sizes 34-36 and 38-40 at the following prices:	
\$3.00 Sweaters for	\$2.00
2.00 Sweaters for	1.00

Dress Shirts	
\$2.50 Dress Shirts	\$1.75
2.25 Dress Shirts	1.50
2.00 Dress Shirts	1.35
1.50 and \$1.25 Dress Shirts	1.00

Boy's School Shoes	
The kind they can't wear out	
In sizes from 11 to 2	\$2.00
In sizes from 2 1-2 to 5 1-2	2.25
Boys Hightop Waterproof Shoes	
In sizes from 11 to 2	\$2.50
In sizes from 2 1-2 to 5 1-2	2.75

All-wool Underwear	
\$4.00 all-wool Underwear	\$3.00
2.50 all-wool Underwear	1.75
This underwear is of the best make and guaranteed to be all-wool.	

All-wool Shirts	
\$3.50 all-wool shirts	\$2.75
3.00 all-wool shirts	2.25
2.75 all-wool shirts	2.00
2.00 all-wool shirts	1.50

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WASHINGTON NOTES OF INTEREST

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Republicans in Congress have devised a plan which they believe will result in adjournment of the proposed extra session at the earliest possible day. It is not entirely proper, perhaps, to say the Republicans of the present Congress devised the plan. It originated in the fertile and massive brain of the late Thomas B. Reed and was put into operation at the extra session which passed the Dingley bill immediately after the inauguration of President McKinley in 1897.

If some one other than Joseph G. Cannon is selected Speaker of the 61st Congress, the plan may be abandoned. It will be put into operation if Cannon is again Speaker. It provides that immediately upon the organization of the House the Speaker shall appoint a committee on ways and means, and he also would appoint some of the minor committees necessary to the operation of the House, such as accounts, enrolled bills, mileage, etc. Appointment of the other committees will be deferred until the convening of the regular session next December. This would force Congress to confine itself to consideration and passage of a tariff bill. Members would be at liberty to introduce all the bills they saw fit, but as there would be no committees to which to refer them they would have to lie on the Speaker's table until the committees were appointed.

Some such method is deemed necessary because the House organization

even should it be able to elect Cannon Speaker, does not feel that it would be assured of always being able to control that body. If committees were appointed and the way opened for other legislation, the House might take the bits in its teeth and run away from control of the organization. If it is not considered desirable by the powers that be that any measures other than the tariff bill shall be considered at the extra session; and if members know that the tariff bill is all that stands between them and adjournment they will be inclined to expedite that measure as much as possible.

Those volunteer assistants of Mr. Taft's who started in immediately after election to construct a cabinet for the President-elect now have an opportunity to reflect on the unwisdom of haste. It now appears that not one of those early lists which were put out with such a show of authority were even approximately correct.

The writer did not join the cabinet-making crew, but he does modestly point with pride to the fact that he predicted that when Mr. Taft announced his choice for Secretary of State it would be a man who had not been mentioned in connection with the place. The name of Senator Knox did not appear at the head of any of the published cabinet slates and most people had never heard his name mentioned in connection with the premiership until it was authoritatively announced that he had been selected.

It is true that Frank H. Hitchcock still has the call on being Postmaster-General, but no one can claim title as a prophet for predicting that he would get the place. It had been accepted as a foregone conclusion from the day it was announced that he was to take charge of the Taft campaign. James

Wilson also figured in most of the lists as Secretary of Agriculture, but neither did that prove that those who compiled the lists were seers. Mr. Taft or any other Republican elected to succeed Roosevelt would have been bound to keep Mr. Wilson until he had served in the new Cabinet long enough to break Albert Gallatin's record for continuous cabinet service. Mr. Taft is going to retain Mr. Wilson until he has broken that record, which will mean about three months service after March 4, but there is no reason to believe the veteran head of the agricultural department will continue longer with the Taft administration.

Aside from Hitchcock and Wilson there isn't a man whose name appeared on the first lists who is now counted a strong cabinet possibility. Everyone was sure James R. Garfield would be continued in the Taft cabinet either as Secretary of the Interior or promoted to a higher portfolio. But Mr. Garfield is now reckoned as out of the running. William Loeb, Jr., Secretary to President Roosevelt, was another whose name was on all the November lists, but Mr. Loeb's cabinet chances appear to be vanishing. No one thought of making up a slate without having George von L. Meyer, the present Postmaster-General, on it, and usually the Treasury portfolio was the one assigned him. His name has now been dropped.

Aside from the selection of Knox to head the State Department, the new cabinet predictions may be no more reliable than were those of a month ago, but it certainly is demonstrated that those of a month ago were unreliable. All of which gets us back to the proposition that merely because you read in a press dispatch that a certain man is going to be selected for a certain place in Mr. Taft's cabinet is no reason why you are bound to believe it. A pretty safe rule for you to make would be to wait for the official announcements before accepting as final reports about the men the next President will have for his advisers.

BLIND CHILDREN MAY SEE.
HARRISBURG, Pa., Dec. 26.—Health Commissioner Dixon hopes to see prevented fully one-third the number of cases of blindness occurring in Pennsylvania. He declares this can be done if an old law that has lain practically dormant on the books of the state for a number of years and the

NORTH SIDE NEWS

Miss L. M. Williamson, of Ilwaco, is the accredited representative of The Astorian and will take care of all items of news, orders for subscriptions and all kinds of printing.

ILWACO

C. F. Rogers and wife were Astoria visitors the first of the week.

Marion Smart arrived Tuesday from South Bend to spend the holidays with his parents of this city.

The wireless station at North Head, Wash., was in communication with Kahuku Island, Oahu, Hawaiian Islands, last Monday night, a distance of 2370 miles. The receiving and sending operator reports the signals very distinct and interchange of signals perfect.

Mr. Case was a business visitor to Astoria the first of the week.

Mrs. J. B. Babler, accompanied by her two children, Ansel and Avis, arrived a few days ago to spend Xmas and New Year's with relatives here.

W. B. Hawkins and wife returned home Wednesday from the Collins Springs where Mr. Hawkins has been spending a couple of weeks for his health. He returned in a much improved condition.

J. W. Seaborg arrived Wednesday to spend some time with his mother and relatives of this city.

Edgar Rogers and sister, Miss Mabel, accompanied by Miss Mary Dahl, arrived Thursday to spend the Christmas with their parents.

Ernest Seaborg and wife of South Bend are guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Hawkins during the holidays.

John Kelliher arrived the latter part of the week to spend a week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Kelliher at North Head.

Geo. Lee, of Seaview, passed thru Ilwaco the first of the week on his way to Portland.

The Misses Erma and Alice Yeaton

suggestions that the State Department of Health proposed are carefully carried out. A recent report from the Pennsylvania School for the Blind says that in the last four years more than one-third of the persons admitted to that institution have owed their affliction to ophthalmia neonatorum, that is, the affection of the eyes which occurs at the birth of the infant.

OUTCOME NO SURPRISE.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 26.—Retired Champion James J. Jeffries claimed not to be surprised at the outcome of the Burns-Johnson fight.

"I thought he would win unless they had his legs and hands both tied," was his comment. "Burns had no right to fight Johnson, for the heavyweight championship. I never looked for any other result, but I did not expect the fight to go so far," he added.

Jeffries is already stirring things for a match between Johnson and the winner of the Kaufman-Barry mill, but it is not certain yet whether either one will consent to meet the black man. Dr. Roller, of Seattle, has been anxious to meet the winner and may get the chance.

ROADBUILDERS STOPPED.

GRANGEVILLE, Idaho, Dec. 26.—In Judge Vineyard's court today James Smith was bound over to appear before the Circuit Court on a

charge of assault with a deadly weapon. Richard Sylvester was tried on a like charge and was discharged. The trouble arose over the construction of a wagon road in Elk City. Smith and Sylvester were working on a bridge and, according to the evidence, Grant Litchfield, whose land the road was crossing, ordered them to stop. A quarrel of a serious nature resulted. Guns were drawn, but no shots were fired. The trouble has created two factions, one that wants the new road and another that does not.

UNION CITY, Dec. 26.—That the prosecution is satisfied with the evidence already presented in the case against the nightriders, was evidenced today when after a conference between the prosecuting attorney and friends of the arrested men, the state's attorney refused to accept the confessions of three of the others under arrest conditioned on indictments against them being quashed.

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